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## Traffic to shift again on Highland Avenue



Traffic along Highland Avenue in both Rialto and San Bernardino will take a couple of new turns, with the realignment of this street during the next month or two.

Stay tuned for new street alignments near Highland and Riverside Avenue in Rialto near the soon-to-be-completed Highland Avenue over-crossing. Also, watch for changes to the alignment of Highland east of California Street in San Bernardino, due to the upcoming completion of the Highland under-crossing.



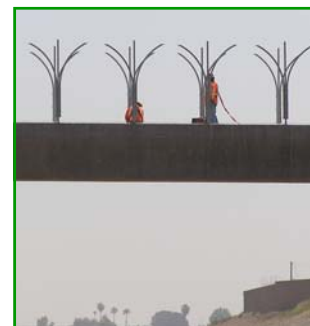
Work is nearing completion on the new Highland Avenue bridge east of Riverside Avenue in Rialto. Watch for the upcoming realignment to Highland Avenue after the bridge opens.

## Trespassing a problem at Lilac bridge

Local youth are ignoring signs and trespassing on the closed Lilac pedestrian bridge, construction workers report.

The bridge was closed last month after school ended to allow crews to complete lighting, permanent fencing, drainage and sound wall improvements. The bridge is set to reopen in late August, before school resumes.

Pedestrians have been told to use Cactus as an alternate route this summer, but many are cutting across the area, creating serious safety problems. Residents are asked to remind their children to not use the Lilac bridge this summer and to report trespassers to the Rialto Police Department.



Crews install permanent fencing at the Lilac pedestrian bridge in Rialto.

## Initial freeway lane paving set to start this fall

Break out the heavy-duty paving machines. The first stage of freeway lane paving is tentatively scheduled to begin this fall. Construction managers are reviewing possible start dates with their paving subcontractor.

A number of variables will affect when the paving operation will start. The availability of the subcontractor and ongoing cement shortages are significant factors. In addition, crews are testing samples of rock being crushed on site to ensure that the mixture meets Caltrans standards. The on-site rock-crushing operation will help reduce paving costs and time.

To prepare for the paving, crews are fine grading the freeway lanes. The first stage of paving will involve placing a lean concrete base. Later in the project, paving crews will place a thin layer of asphalt concrete on top of the lean concrete base.

The final layer of paving will be up to a 12-inch layer of Portland cement concrete, reinforced with steel rods. Computerized machinery helps streamline the process. Once the concrete sets, workers will cut shallow joints in the pavement to control cracking.

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